## **NEWS RELEASE**



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## Lane Closures Continue on U.S. 101 at the Cotati Grade

## **Compression Grouting Work is Ongoing**

**Cotati-**Caltrans crews will continue to perform geotechnical repair work on the southbound lanes of the Cotati Grade. Crews have worked in the number two, or slow lane, and the shoulder, and will begin work in the number one, or passing lane. Work continues as the weather allows.

## Scheduled work is as follows:

Friday, January 5, 10:00pm-7:00am Saturday, January 6, 10:00pm-8:30am Sunday, January 7, 9:00pm-5:00am Monday, January 8-January 12, 8:00pm-5:00am

Orange cones will be set on the roadway indicating lane closures, and the California Highway Patrol will be on site to assist.

Crews are injecting compaction grout at high pressure up to twenty feet below the roadway surface to improve stability previously weakened by sliding earth. This repair technique works in tandem with the drainage system and sheet pile wall Caltrans installed over the past winter.

Motorists are advised to expect heavy delays and congestion during lane closures. Alternate routes are strongly suggested.

Crews have done emergency and maintenance paving in this area on June 23, July 5, and July 26, 2006. Engineers continue to monitor movement at the slide and take steps to maintain a safe and passable roadway.

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